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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(d)(2)

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition The Commissioner for Patents to consider the Information Disclosure Statement enclosed herewith.

Fee authorization for this Petition appears on the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement.

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